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## **Councilmember Tapped for ARC Leadership Development Program**

**PEACHTREE CORNERS, GA, Sept. 19, 2019** -- City Councilmember Weare Gratwick, who also serves as the Mayor Pro Tempore for Peachtree Corners, was selected earlier this year as one of 56 leaders from around metro Atlanta to take part in the Atlanta Regional Commission's 2019 Regional Leadership Institute (RLI) development program which will be held in Savannah Sept. 22 - 27.

Participants, who are comprised of private, education and nonprofit leaders, will have the opportunity to study in-depth key regional issues and delve into the importance of regional collaboration to ensure metro Atlanta's success. Topics discussed included water sustainability and resources, barriers to full employment and regional and community planning.

"It is a privilege to be selected for ARC's leadership development program. The topics are very apropos to the challenges facing metro Atlanta today," said Weare Gratwick, who also is the Gwinnett Market President of the newly formed Tandem Bank which will have locations in Peachtree Corners, Tucker and Decatur.

The RLI program is designed to expose current organizational and community leaders to the importance of understanding specific issues and challenges facing the metro region and how they are all interconnected. Since 1991, more than 1,500 leaders from the business, government, education and nonprofit sectors have participated in the RLI program.

"The city is pleased that Weare was chosen for this prestigious program," said Mayor Mike Mason. "In his role as a councilmember for Peachtree Corners, the experience will serve him well. The subjects discussed not only expand his knowledge, he also will have the opportunity to become acquainted with other metro community leaders as well."

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